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UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ROSA L. DELAURO
3RD DISTRICT, CONNECTICUT

March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Boys & Girls Club of Greater New Haven Clubhouse Renovation in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Boys & Girls Club of Greater New Haven, located at 253 Columbus Avenue, New Haven, CT 06519.

The \$1,934,625 the Boys & Girls Club of Greater New Haven is requesting in funding would be used to renovate the Clubhouse would improve safety, accessibility, and the quality of the facilities. The Clubhouse is viewed as an oasis of support and safety in a challenging environment. With an updated, modern facility, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater New Haven will continue to serve as a central youth and family community center and allow us to serve more youth and meet community needs, especially those who live near us in the Hill neighborhood of New Haven. The property rehabilitation would include: 1) Replacement of low-slope roof and skylights; 2) Exterior masonry restoration; 3) Safety Upgrades; and 4) Interior program and recreational renovations.

BGCGNH is the longest, continually operating Club out of more than 1,400 Boys & Girls Clubs nationwide. They have a long history and proven track record in New Haven serving children for over 151 years. BGCGNH employs 8 full-time employees and over 60 part-time employees during the school year, and over 125 part-time seasonal summer employees. As the area's leading out-of-school youth development organization in South Central Connecticut, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater New Haven (BGCGNH) was created with the merger of the Ulbrich Boys & Girls Club and the Boys & Girls Club of New Haven on July 1, 2022. For many years, these legacy clubs have provided outstanding youth development programs and services in New Haven, North Haven, and Wallingford. Combining the strengths and resources of these clubs will allow the new organization to improve and expand services to current members in the three communities they serve and support further expansion of services to surrounding communities in the future.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rosa L. DeLauro". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "R".

Rosa L. DeLauro
Member of Congress